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MEMORANDUM FOR: BRIGADIER GENERAL SMITH

SUBJECT: GRILL FLAME Status Report (U)

1. (S) On 20 September I met with Colonel Capps, DAMI-ISH, to discuss the 902d's participation in the development of a training program in Para-Psychology Phenomena. We had been advised the week before through General Rolya that the 902d was to cease any further planning for its concept of training with the Monroe Institute. I wished to find out where we stood regarding the program.

2. (S) Colonel Capps related the following:

a. After talks among MG Thompson, Dr. LeBerge, Dr. Verona, et al, it was decided that this whole program needed to be coordinated with DOD. Consequently, a working group is to be established with representatives from all concerned parties regarding the future DOD involvement in this phenomena.

b. INSCOM would be requested to provide a representative for the working group mentioned above to act as a coordinator for INSCOM involvement.

c. The 902d project, unclassified title GONDOLA WISH, was cancelled. Two factors impinged on this decision:

(1) The Monroe Institute is not cleared for classified training or information.

(2) The type of training to be given by the Monroe Institute. It was felt that this training could be categorized as experimenting with the human mind. If so, under recent legislation, it would have to be cleared through an office at HEW. MG Thompson did not want to go that route until the legal ramifications were thoroughly examined.

d. DARCOM has an ongoing contract in this general area with SRI, California which is not encumbered by possible legalities. The probability existed of our satelliting training on their contract. Colonel Capps suggested that both ACSI and INSCOM provide funding to DARCOM for Military Intelligence training subject to the approval of General Guthrie. He opined that \$75,000.00 would be good and that ACSI could probably provide \$25,000.00 if INSCOM could find \$50,000.00.

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3. (C) Immediately following my talk with Colonel Capps I briefed General Rolya on where we stood, specifically asking his OK for INSCOM to provide \$50,000.00 in year-end funds as an add-on to the DARCOM contract with SRI for the purpose of training some MI personnel. He approved expenditure of the funds. Subsequently, I coordinated with Colonel Whitt and Mr. Staffone.

4. (C) BG Teal secured General Guthrie's approval for using the DARCOM contract. A total of \$65,000.00 (\$15,000.00 from ACSI) has been provided to DARCOM for training. We now await further information from ACSI as to when training will begin and how many people we are to provide (one or two was discussed as initial input).

5. (U) For now, ACSI wants the name of INSCOM's representative to their working group. The 902d is prepared to provide such an individual, but I recommend that the DCSCI interject themselves into this project and provide this contract. I feel that they should be dealing with the ACSI staffers and we should take our lead from the DCSCI. If you agree, I will talk to Colonel Cary regarding this matter.

  
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